THE

Pandel and Paydn Society

Will give ONE PERFORMANCE only of

M. COSTA'S ORATORIO,



BOSTON MUSIC HALL,

ON SUNDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 27, 1864,

WITH THE GREAT ORGAN,

A LARGE ORCHESTRA,

AND THE FOLLOWING SOLOISTS:

Miss J. E. HOUSTON, Mrs. J. S. CARY,
Mr. L. W. WHEELER, Mr. J. J. KIMBALL,
And Mr. FR. RUDOLPHSEN.

CHARACTERS REPRESENTED.

HANNAH, by	Miss J. E. Houston.
SAMUEL, by	Mrs. J. S. CARY.
ELKANAH and SAPH, by	Mr. L. W. WHEELER.
MAN OF GOD, by	Mr. J. J. KIMBALL.
ELI, by	Mr. F. RUDOLPHSEN.

CARL ZERRAHN, Conductor.

B. J. LANG, Organist.

WM. SCHULTZ, Leader of Orchestra.

TICKETS ONE DOLLAR EACH, WITH RESERVED SEATS.

Doors open at 6 o'clock. Oratorio commences at 7.

COSTA'S ELI.

PART FIRST.

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OVERTURE.

ELI.-Blow up the trumpet in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day. Take a psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp, with the psaltery, for this was a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob.

Solo and Chorus. Let us go to pray before the Lord, Let us go to seek the Lord of Hosts,

Let us come before his presence, giving thanks,

And make a joyful noise to him with psalms.

ELKANAH.—I will also go. [heart,
I will praise Thee, O Lord, with my whole
I will give Thee thanks, O Lord,
I will praise Thee among the people.

The carth is the Ladd's and the fulness there

The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein. Recitative. Elk .-- Behold! I have brought the first fruits of the land, which thou, O Lord,

hast given me.

ELL.—Let the people praise thee, O Lord; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase, and God, even our own God shall bless us.

Cho.—God be merciful unto us, and bless , and cause his face to shine upon us.

ELI.—The Lord bless ye and keep ye.

Cho.-Amen.

ELI.—The Lord lift up his countenance upon ye and give ye peace.

Cho.—Amen.

Ell.—The Lord make his face shine upon

ye, and be gracious unto ye.

Cho.—Amen.

Cho.—Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Amen.

Recitative and Prayer. HANNAH.—Unto Thee. O Lord, do I lift up my soul; O my God, I trust in Thee; let me not be ashamed; let not mine enemies triumph over me.

Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon for I am desolate and afflicted. The me, for I am desolate and afflicted. The troubles of my heart are enlarged; O bring thou me out of my distresses. O Lord, my God, I trust in Thee.

Rec. Ell.—Woman, how long witt thou be

drunken? Put away thy wine from thee.

HAN.—No, my lord, I am a woman of a sorrowful spirit. I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have poured out my soul before the Lord. Count not thy handmaid for a daughter of Belial; for out of the abundance

of my grief and my complaint have I spoken.
ELI.—Go in peace, and the Lord God of Israel grant thee thy petition.
Cho.—The Lord is good; a stronghold in

the day of trouble, and he knoweth them that trust in him.

Rec. and Duet. HANNAH and ELKANAH. ELK.—Hannah, why weepest thou? and why eatest thou not? and why is thy heart

grieved? Am I not better to thee than ten sons?

HAN.—My soul is cast down within me; my eye poureth out tears unto God; my tears have been my meat day and night.

ELK .- They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. Be comforted; hope thou in God. Duetto. HANNAH and ELKANAH.

Wherefore is thy soul cast down, and why is it disquieted within thee? Hope thou in God, for thou shalt yet praise Him, who is the health of thy countenance and thy God.

Rec. Eli -- My sons! my sons! I cannot hold my peace; they make the Lord's people to transgress. If one man sin against another, the judge shall judge him; but it a man transgress against the Lord, who shall entreat for him?

Air.—If they shouldst mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgive-

chorus of Levites.—O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the Lord glory and strength. Bring an offering, and come into his courts.

Corale.—How mighty is Thy name,

In all the earth, O Lord!

Thy praises all the heav'ns proclaim, And babes record Thy wonders, night and day;

The moon and stars I scan; And when the sun appears, I say, "Lord, what is man!" Great is the Lord!

MAN OF GOD .- I am come to sacrifice to the Lord a lamb without blemish.

Chorus of Levites.—Give flesh to roast for the priest; for we will not have sodden flesh of thee, but raw.

MAN OF GOD .- What evil thing is this that MAN OF GOD.—What evil thing is this that ye do? Why offer ye polluted offerings upon mine altar? saith the Lord of Hosts.

Chorus.—They have profaned it.

MAN OF GOD.—Ye are departed out of the

way; ye have caused many to stumble at the law; ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi. Therefore the Lord has made you contemptible and base before all the people, and He will lift up an ensign to the nations afar. And

behold they shall come with speed-quickly Chorus .- We are become a reproach to our neighbors-a scorn and derision to them that are round about us.

Saph. Basses. Tenors and

Philistines, hark! the trumpet sounding!
Make your shields and arrows bright! Let your steeds and chariots bounding, Speed you quickly on to fight, War against the Israelite!

Cho.—Speed us, speed us on to fight,
War against the Israelite! SAPH. Philistines, arm—prepare for battle!
Gath and Askelon unite.

Aphek, let your quivers rattle—
Men of might, come forth and fight!
War against the Israelite!

PRIESTS OF DAGON.

We have offered victims ample; Dagon heard their dying cries; Choral praises shook his temple, Crown'd the votive sacrifice See! his glances in vivid flashes, Darting through the gloom of night!

Hark! he speaks in thunder crashes! Dagon's aid will crown the fight. SAPH. War against the Israelite!

Cho.-War against the Israelite!

SAPH. Men of might, come forth and fight. Philistines, when your foes assemble,

I, of Gath, a man of might—
I will defy them—they shall tremble
When I lead him on to fight.

SAPH and Cho.—War against the Israelite!
Air. EII.—Hear my prayer, O Lord, and let my cry come unto Thee. That which I

see not, teach Thou me; teach me to do Thy will; for Thou, Lord, art my God.

Rec. Man or Gob.—Eli! thus saith the Lord: Wherefore spurn ye at my sacrifice and at mine offerings which I have commanded in my habitation, and honorest thy sons above me with the chiefest of all the offerings

of Israel, my people?
Therefore, the Lord God of Israel saith: Behold, the days come that I will cut off thine arm, and the arm of thy father's house; there shall not be an o'd man in thine house forever. And this shall be a sign upon thee, that shall come upon thy sons-on Hophni and Phineas; in one day they shall die, both of them.

ELI.—Woe is me now! my heart within me

is desolate.

Man of God.—Receive, I pray thee, the law from His mouth, and lay up His words

ELI.-I have sinned. Oh, entreat the Lord our God that He may take away from me this death.

Duetto. MAN OF GOD and ELI. Lord, cause thy face to shine upon thy servant, save { him } for thy mercy's sake.

Enter not into judgment with thy servant, for

in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

Corale.-O make a joyful noise

To God, the Lord, ye lands; With gladness serve the Lord, And sing, ye sacred bands. Ye know the Lord is God; That He hath made us all; We are His reople, come,
Like sheep obey His call.
ELL.—The Lord is in His holy temple; let

all the earth keep silence before Him.

Rec. HAN.—Open unto me the gates of

righteousness. I will go into them, and I will

praise the Lord.

Air.—I will extol Thee, O Lord, for Thou hast lifted me up, and hast not made my foes to rejoice over me. I cried unto Thee, and Thou hast healed me. Thou hast turned my mourning into dancing, and girded me with gladness, to the end that my glory may sing praise to Thee. O Lord, my God, I will give thanks unto Thee forever.

Rec. Ell.—Why camest thou hither?

HAN.—O, my lord, I am the woman that stood by thee here praying. I prayed for this child, and the Lord hath granted me my petition. Therefore, also, as long as he liveth, he shall be lent unto the Lord,

ELI.—What is his name?
HAN —I have called his name Samuel, because I have asked him of the Lord.

ELI.—Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Chorus.—Amen.
Man of God.—Behold, the glory of the
Lord hath filled the house, for he is the messenger of the Lord, and thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest.

Chorus.-Hosanna in the highest!

PART SECOND.

The Morning Prayer. SAMUEL. Lord, from my bed again I rise To offer up the sacrifice Of praise and prayer to Thee. I laid me down to sleep at night,

I trusted in Thine arm of might, Thine arm protected me.

Uphold Thy servant through the day; Direct my steps in Wisdom's way; Let me not turn aside; Let me not walk where scorners walk, And sinful men profanely talk; Still be my God and guide.

Trio. HANNAH, ELKANAH and SAMUEL. SAM.—My mother, bless me!

Bless me, my father! Elk, and Han.—The blessing of the Lord

be upon you!

HAN.—My son, hear the instruction of thy father!

ELK .- And forsake not the law of thy mo-

HAN .- Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not to thine own understand-

ing;
ELK.—In all thy ways acknowlege Him, and He shall direct thy paths.
BOTH.—Then shalt thou safely walk in the

way, and thy foot shall never stumble.

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with SAM.—I will love, &c.
all thy soul, with all thy might, and Him only

shalt thou serve.

Solo. ELL.—Go in peace, and the blessing of the Lord be upon you! Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine, and like olive plants thy children. Yea, thou shalt see thy children's children.

Quartet. HANNAH, SAMUEL, ELKANAH, ELI.
We bless you in the name of the Lord.
Hear them, Lord, in the day of trouble; God
of Jacob, do Thou defend them; O preserve
them and keep them alive; let them be blessed upon the earth.

March of Israelites.

Rec. Eli.-Hear, O Israel: ye go forth this day to fight against your enemies. Let not your hearts faint; fear not—do not tremble, neither be ye terrified because of them; for the Lord your God is He that goeth with you

the Lord you God is he that goeth with you to fight for you and save you.

Chorus.—Hold not Thy peace, and be not still, O God; for lo, thine enemies make a tumult; and they that hate Thee have lifted, up the head; they have taken counsel against

Thy people.

God and King of Jacob's nation, Oft our fathers sang Thy praise; They ascribed their salvation To Thy deeds of ancient days. All their foes were backward driven, Not by their own arm and sword, All their victories were given— Won for them by Thee, O Lord! Fight for us, great God of battles— Thine and Israel's foe shall fall!

Rec. Samuel.—It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises un-to Thy name, O most High! to show forth Thy loving kindness in the morning, and Thy faithfulness every night. Blessed are they

that dwell in Thy house, for a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

The Evening Prayer. SAMUEL This night I lift my heart to Thee, Whose dwelling is in heaven above, O deign to hear and answer me, My Father—God of love!

Art Thou not, Lord, in every place?

Is there a thing beneath Thy care? Though angels only see Thy face, Yet Thou, O Lord, art everywhere. O give thine angels charge to keep Their wings spread over me this night; Let them defend me—let me sleep

Bless the Lord, my soul! and all that is within me, bless His holy name—bless - (falls asleep.)

An Angel.-The Lord is thy keeper!

Till darkness melts in light.

Chorus of Angels. No evil shall befall thee, Dear object of his choice; This night our Lord will call thee, In a still, small voice. Thy God saith, they that fear Him Shall heart and soul rejoice; Then sleep to wake and hear him In a still small voice.

A MESSENGER .- Woe unto us, for we are spoiled; Israel is smitten before the Philistines. They have slain of our army about four thousand men.

Chorus with Solos .- Woe unto us, we are spoiled! Wherefore hath the Lord smitten us to-day before the Philistines ?

Let us take the Ark of the Lord out of Shiloh to the camp; then when it cometh there it may save us from the hands of our enemies.

O God, when thou wentest forth before thy people, when thou didst march through the wilderness, the earth shook, the heavens also dropped at the presence of God; even Sinai itself was moved at the presence of God, the God of Israel. Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together; save and deliver us from the heathen!

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Rec. ELI.—When shall I arise and the night be gone? I am full of tossings to and fro, unto the dawning of day. Horror hath taken hold upon me, because the wicked forsake Thy law.

Sam.—My father, here am I.

ELI.—I called not; lie down to sleep again. When I say, my bed shall comfort me; my youch shall ease my complaint: Thou scarest

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me with dreams, O God, and terrifiest me through visions.

SAM .- My father, here am I, for thou didst

ELI.—I called not, my son, lie down again. God speaketh once, yea twice, yet man per-ceiveth it not—in a dream—a vision of the night, when deep sleep falleth down on men.
SAM.—Here am I; for thou didst call me, "Samuel, Samuel!"

ELI.-God in his holiness hath spoken. Go lie down again, and it shall be if He call thee, that thou shalt say, "Speak, Lord, for Thy servant heareth."

SAM.—" Speak, Lord, for Thy servant hear-eth."

ELI.—The Lord hath revealed himself to him. God spake to Jacob in a dream by night. My heart panteth, my strength faileth,

I wait for the Lord; my soul doth wait, more than they that watch for the morning.

Samuel! Samuel, my son! SAM —Here am I, my father!

ELI.—What is the thing that the Lord has said to thee? I pray thee, hide it not from me; May God do so to thee, and also more, if thou hide anything from me of all that He hath said to thee.

SAM.—The Lord said; "Behold, I will perform against Eli all I have spoken concerning his house. For I have told him, that I will judge his house for ever, for the iniquity he knoweth; because his sons made themselves vile, and he restrained them not."

Ell.—It is the Lord! Let Him do what

seemeth Him good.

What meaneth the noise of this tumult? SAM.—Israel is fled before the Philistines; and there has been also a great slaughter among the people, and thy two sons, Hophni and Phineas, are dead!

ELI.—And the Ark—the Ark of God? SAM.—The Ark of God is taken!

Chorus.—Help! help! Sam.—There is no help for him. Eli is dead!

Chorus.—The glory is departed from Israel, for the Ark of God is taken!

SAM—Blow the trumpet; sanctify a fast, and call a solemn assembly! Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar: for thus saith the Lord, "Turn ye even to me with all your heart; with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning...then will the Lord be jealous for His land, and pity His people."

Chorus.—Blessed be the Lord, the Lord

God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. Hallelujah! Amen!

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